

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Thursday June 14, 2007

Auburn Civic Center, Room 10

MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Louise Burda Gilbert

A quorum was present. Those attending: Marilyn Hamner-Crout, Louise Burda Gilbert, Tal Lewis, Everett Jensen, Stephanie Wills, Mike McCoy, and Sue Dings.

Minutes of March 8th, 2007 were accepted as sent.

Project Reports: Art in Public Places

Elks Club Wall Mural: Louise presented the reworked design by chosen artist Patrick Shields. Commission members made a few minor suggestions to be passed on to Mr. Shields. Commissioners were enthusiastic about mural drawing. Louise will show it to Bob Richardson for comment and direction as to the procedure with City Council.

Old City Hall Wall Mural: Sierra College teacher, Gary William Graham is receptive to the idea of having his students create a mural for the wall of what is now *Dancing Dog* to replace the current disintegrating mural. AAC has discussed using one of the panels from the mural they drew for the Elks Club Wall submittal. Proposed start time would be in Fall of 2007 if approved by all.

Guide to Public Art Brochure: Marilyn distributed the new brochures to Old Town and midtown. Stephanie distributed to businesses in Downtown. A feature article about the brochures written by an Auburn Journal reporter was circulated. Marilyn & Stephanie will periodically check whether more brochures are needed.

City Hall Gallery: Marilyn announced the current exhibit is of art works is by Nancy Langhorn. In August, Sonja Hamilton will be displaying her paintings. Placer Adult School is slated for October.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: Sue reported that APPAC recently approved a facade design based on the 1937 renovated look of the State Theatre which will feature a three sided marquee and two sided Art Deco "STATE" sign. The facade improvement program has begun by pressure washing the front of the building and removing the unsightly awnings. This was done with the assistance of the Auburn Rotary Club. The Old State Theatre has been chosen for the 2007 *Project Auburn* program. This will facilitate completion of the facade improvements, including signing.

Street Sculpture Project/Blooming Benches: Mike McCoy has the prototype bench to be showcased at the August 9th Art Walk. The supplies cost \$200. Consensus is to display the bench as a teaser for the Blooming Bench Project to be launched in 2008. Mike will bring the bench to the next AAC meeting. Everett will consider creating a

painting for the bench. Sue has arranged for a Line Dancing demonstration at the August 9th Art Walk to help make it a popular venue.

Music for the Art Walk, Sue announced the June 14 musicians for the Art Walk are: *Auburnaires* [vocal pop quartet] at the Auburn Promenade Porch, *Kegites* [African Drummers] at the Clock Tower, and Heather MacAdam, Guitarist/Singer at OLAS.

School Park Preserve: Tal will follow up on the progress being made.

Streetscape Project: Everett will arrange for a presentation to be made to AAC

Old Business:

AAC vacancy: The application of Aloha Baumgarten is pending.

Trip to Crocker Art Museum: Mike will arrange a tour of Patty Taylor Gutermuth glass sculptures in Sacramento and trip to the Crocker when convenient, perhaps on a Second Saturday in September or October.

Feats of Clay Reception: On April 28, Marilyn and Stephanie attended the Feats of Clay Reception. They brought back pictures of the interesting clay piece they chose for the AAC Merit Award.

Next Quarterly Report: Everett & Mike volunteered to give the next Quarterly Report on July 9th, 2007.

New Business:

Application for appointment to AAC for another 4 year term. Louise invited the four members of the Commission whose term expires on August 20, 2007 to reapply through the City. Applications are available from Anne Cooey, City Clerk or on-line at http://www.auburn.ca.gov/dept/documents/commis_apply.pdf

Public Comment: Sue reported she had received a request to see the Auburn Public Art Catalogue. Consensus was that one should be available at City Hall for the public to borrow or purchase; possibly one at the Placer Co. Library. Marilyn said there are five printed copies.

Correspondence: Marilyn received a thank you letter from Placer Arts League for showing their work in the City Hall gallery.

Future Agenda Items:

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.
Submitted by Sue Dings, Secretary

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, July 12th 7:30 a.m

